

# Bryan Morning Eagle

FOURTEENTH YEAR

BRYAN, TEXAS FRIDAY MORNING DECEMBER 25, 1908

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## Mens' Shoes

HANAN  
AND  
KNEELAND

\$6.50 to \$3.50

ONE LOT KNEELAND ALL-OVER

Special

PATENT—ONE OF THE NEW

TOES AND LASTS \$5.00

GRADE

Now \$4.25

OUR LINE OF

Rubber  
Foot Wear

IS COMPLETE FOR THE MAN,

LADIES AND CHILDREN.

A. J.  
WAGNER  
& CO.

With a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year,  
Without Misfortune and without a trial,  
May good luck follow and joy abide,  
And fortune favor you on every side.  
May you have friends to love and friends to greet,  
And never have a doubt of what you eat.

HOWELL & NEWTON

## RUIN APARTMENT HOUSE

Flames Render Number of Persons Homeless.

### YOUNG MAN LOSES LIFE.

Rescue of Woman by a Hose Hero Sensational Affair, She Fainting and Falling Into His Arms, but Fireman Carries Her Down Five Floors.

New York, Dec. 24.—One man was killed and three other men and women seriously burned, while the lives of others were saved by the prompt and heroic action of firemen and tenants of the building in a fire that wrecked one five story apartment house in One Hundred and Twenty-Seventh street. The dead man is Daniel Frizzell, eighteen years old, who lived on the top floor. Three members of the Looker family were badly burned about the face and hands, as was also Fireman Mullen, who heroically rescued Mrs. Alice Looker after her night clothing had taken fire.

Three alarms were turned in before the flames were under control and when the firemen first arrived on the scene it looked as if there would be serious loss of life. Many women, children and men were penned on the roof and upper floors, while others climbed frantically down the fire escapes. Several were on the point of jumping, but were warned to wait for the firemen and their ladders. Cool heads in this way averted what appeared to be certain death for the hysterical ones.

The rescue of Mrs. Locker by a fireman was particularly sensational. The woman was seated on a window edge on the fifth floor with her three grown sons. A ladder was quickly swung in position against the window and while the flames were in almost actual contact with her back firemen shouted to her to remain calm. In

the meantime David Mueller, a fireman, climbed nearer, but just as he reached to help her down she fainted and fell into his arms. He made his way down the five floors safely, although the woman's dress was blazing when he reached the ground.

Twenty families were made homeless and many suffered from exposure.

#### Dam Stands Intact.

Yuma, Ariz., Dec. 24.—La Guna coffer Dam stands intact, but it required the united efforts of all the crews employed in stemming the tide of the swollen river with sandbags. For twelve hours water came through sluice ways in walls six feet high, cutting the soft ground adjacent and flooding the surface of the dam. Engineers Hill, Sellew, and Vincent spent the entire night on the crest of the coffer dam directing the work. They were taken off in a boat when the river began to fall. The coffer dam is uninjured, but the trunkage system and working implements are still under water.

#### Three Censured.

Fort Smith, Ark., Dec. 24.—The special convention of that district of the United Mine Workers of America which comprises the states of Oklahoma, Texas and Arkansas, called to investigate charges of breach of faith on the part of the district board and certain local officials, finally adjourned. President Stewart and Messrs. Jones and Blackbird of the district board were censured because of decisions in several instances, but the board as a whole was exonerated.

#### Will Include Several Railroads.

Chicago, Dec. 24.—The investigation began by the government through the district attorney's office here into the subject of alleged rebates will extend beyond the packing house of Morris & Co., and will include several railroads.

#### Demarest Winner.

Chicago, Dec. 24.—The handicap blind contest between Calvin Demarest and Fred Conklin was won by Demarest by a score of 3,000 to 1,890.

## MISS WILSON EXPIRES.

Actress, Thought Recovering, Has Passed Away.

Sherman, Dec. 24.—Miss Floyd Wilson of Omaha, Neb., a member of "The Matinee Girl" company, who was taken ill with typhoid pneumonia when the company played here Nov. 27, has died. She had apparently recovered, and her father, R. B. Wilson, editor of the Nebraska Odd Fellow, had come to take his daughter home.

Miss Wilson was a beautiful young lady and talented actress and had made many friends among local Odd Fellows and their families, who had called and ministered to her.

Accompanied by the grief-stricken father, Miss Wilson's remains were sent to Omaha for burial.

#### Suits to Be Brought.

Austin, Dec. 24.—Governor is planning to within a few days instruct Attorney General Davidson to bring suits for forfeiture of charter against all social, literary or charitable clubs which are selling liquor on the grounds the charter is being violated. Elks, and Eagles will be included. It will be arranged that these suits are to be brought by each county and the district attorney in the name of the state and test cases will be pushed rapidly.

The governor intends to seek legislative measure prohibiting the sale of liquor even to members of any organization not chartered for that direct purpose. It is believed only lodges of the larger cities will first come under the ban.

#### Considering Agreement.

Austin, Dec. 24.—The railroad commission is considering the agreement entered into by and between railroads entering Galveston and Galveston county for the construction of a causeway across Galveston bay. Commissioner Storey said he would approve the agreement, but Commissioner Colquitt said he had not yet reached a determination, while Chairman Mayfield has not yet passed on the question. The agreement is made subject to the approval of the commission.

#### Went to San Antonio.

Austin, Dec. 24.—It is denied that Adjutant General Newton had gone to New Braunfels and had a conference with the county attorney of Comal county about the enforcement of law there. Colonel Phelps said General Newton went to San Antonio on another mission.

#### AARON ACQUITTED.

Mistaken For Another Party and In Jail Couple of Months.

Ardmore, Okla., Dec. 24.—W. F. Aaron of Poolville, this county, arrived from Stigler, where he has been on trial for a murder committed twenty-eight years ago. A neighbor woman of Aaron's mistook him for a man named Meeks and notified officers, who made an arrest. Friends came from Texas and one from South America to prove that Aaron was not Meeks. The trial resulted in his discharge. He was in prison two months.

#### MANY HORSES PERISH.

Twenty-Five Either Burn to Death or Else Are Suffocated.

Dallas, Dec. 24.—The livery stable of R. A. Huey, one of the largest in this city, caught fire and was consumed.

*The Officer,*

*Directors,*

*and*

*Shareholders*

*of the*

**City National  
Bank**

*Beg to wish for all our Patrons*

*Friends and Acquaintances a*

**Merry Christmas**

*... AND A ...*

**Happy New Year!**

#### Drain Drops Dead.

Amarillo, Tex., Dec. 24.—A. R. Drain, an old employee of the Santa Fe railway and a prominent Odd Fellow, dropped dead.

#### All Prisoners Released.

San Antonio, Dec. 24.—Following Christmas custom, Mayor Callaghan ordered the thirty-one city prisoners released.

#### Couple Seriously Hurt.

Seguin, Tex., Dec. 24.—A horse ran over W. R. Neal and wife, badly injuring both.

#### Purse Snatchers Busy.

Waco, Dec. 24.—Purse snatchers have been operating at local depots. They have secured over \$600.

**A Merry and Happy**

**Xmas**

**to all**

**WILSON & DERDEN**

**Mr. E. J. Fountain**

requests the honor of your presence at the sale of his full line of  
**Fancy Groceries**  
to  
**His Many Customers**  
on Saturday morning, eight o'clock, December 12th  
nineteen hundred and eight  
at his store  
**Bryan, Texas**

THIS DATE IN HISTORY.

Dec. 25.

Arranged for The Bryan Morning Eagle.  
1835—Samuel de Champlain, explorer, died in Quebec. Born in France in 1567.

1774—British tea ship forbidden to land at Philadelphia.

1776—Americans defeated the British at Trenton, N. J.

1779—The city of Nashville, Tenn., founded.

1836—Rear Admiral Francis M. Buncy, U. S. N., born in Hartford, Conn., died there Oct. 19, 1901.

1868—President Johnson issued universal amnesty proclamation.

1890—China Navigation Company's liner Shanghai burned near Ching Kiang, with loss of 300 lives.

1895—Great Britain inaugurated imperial penny postage.

THE WORLD'S NOTABLES.

George I of Greece.

Arranged for The Bryan Morning Eagle.

George I, king of Greece, was born Dec. 25, 1845, the second son of the late king of Denmark, Christian IX. When the Greeks finally succeeded in throwing off the Turkish domination and looked about for a ruler they called Prince George of Denmark to accept the newly created throne of Greece. He was chosen king in March, 1863 and was crowned in November of the same year. In 1867 King George married the Grand Duchess Olga, daughter of the Russian Grand Duke Constantine. The rule of King George has been a successful one and no sovereign in Europe enjoys a greater degree of popularity with his subjects. King George has six children. The eldest son and heir to the throne is the Duke of Sparta, who has just passed his fortieth year. King George is a keen man of business and is reputed to be very wealthy, though his civil list is far below that of many other rulers in Europe.

BECAUSE IT'S CHRISTMAS.

(By Joe McGee.)

If a body met a body "little full o'rye,  
Needn't a body ask a body to give a reason why—

Because It's Christmas.

If a body meet a body walkin' kind'a ry'e,

Needn't a body ask a body to give a reason why—

Because It's Christmas.

If a body meet a body with a bunged up eye,

Needn't a body ask a body to give a reason why—

Because It's Christmas.

If a pastor meet a deacon, deacon rather shy,  
Needn't a pastor ask a deacon to give a reason why—

Because It's Christmas.

Joe McGee.

Mr. Jno. A. Moore Sr. is spending the holidays in Bryan as the guest of his son, Mr. Jno. A. Moore, Jr.

EVERYTHING

**At Cost**

We desire to make a clean sale of every article on Xmas. goods, therefore we are offering everything in

**Fancy China      Toilet Sets  
Cut Glass      Vases  
Medallions      Pictures  
Dolls      Toys**

AT ABSOLUTE COST.

Come and make your selections. If you can not call, phone and we will put it aside for you or deliver.

**Emmel & Maloney**

Phone 60

The World's Masterpieces.

A most acceptable Christmas remembrance comes to the Eagle from the sweet sisters of the Villa Maria Ursuline Academy. This remembrance a "Calendar of the World's Masterpieces" is a calendar for the year 1900, arranged in the order of the months of the year, each sheet bearing a reproduction of the masterpiece of one of the world's famous painters, arranged in the following order:

January—Madonna della Sedia—Raphael.

February—The Gleaners—Jean Francois Millet.

March—The Madonna di San Sisto—Raphael.

April—The Reading Magdalen—Botticelli.

May—The Age of Innocence—Reynolds.

June—The Immaculate Conception—Murillo.

July—Beatrice Cenci—Guido Reni.

August—The Descent from the Cross—Rubens.

September—The Tribute Money—Tiziano Vecelli.

October—Angel Choir—Sir Joshua Reynolds.

November—La Joconde—Leonardo Da Vinci.

December—The Master Dolorosa—Guido Reni.

With the calendar came an expression of kind wishes "S. U. The Season's joyful greetings, From the Ursulines of Villa Maria, Bryan, Texas.

THE WEATHER.

Special to Bryan Morning Eagle.

New Orleans, La., Dec. 24.—Tonight, partly cloudy weather; warmer; Friday fair.—Cline.

Weather Notes.

The disturbance central yesterday over Georgia has moved out to sea and has been attended by general precipitation in Atlantic districts. A second disturbance has appeared over the northwest and precipitation has occurred in the extreme northwest and on the north and middle Pacific coast. A ridge of high pressure extends from the west Gulf coast northward into the lower Lake region, and generally fair weather has set in over Atlantic districts. The temperature has fallen in districts east of the Mississippi valley, except the upper Lake region, and is generally higher to the westward. The weather in Texas has been fair, with slowly rising temperature which, at time of report, ranged from 32 degrees to 48 degrees at El Paso to 48 degrees at Galveston.

River Bulletin.

River Stages: In feet and tenths.  
(75th Meridian time.)  
Stations      Flood Stage at  
Brazos River— stage 8 a.m.  
Kopperl ..... 21.0 0.2  
Waco ..... 22.0 1.5  
Valley Junction ..... 40.0 5.2

River Forecast.

There will be no important change in the Trinity, Brazos and Colorado rivers.

B. BUNNEMEYER,  
Section Director.

An Old Timer.

We were reminded yesterday that the 24th day of December was Uncle H. P. Stacy's birthday and upon inquiry he informed us that he was sixty-four years old and had been in Bryan more than forty years; before the town was started here and about the close of the civil war. This reminds us that there are only a few of the early settlers left that came here when the H. & T. C. railroad was the terminus. Uncle Pete is a contractor and has been instrumental in building the town as you see it today. The Eagle joins friends in wishing many returns of the day.

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The Eagle is in receipt from the Texas Department of Agriculture Bulletin of the Eleventh Texas Farmers Congress. This bulletin is nicely gotten up and gives proceedings of the different branches of the Farmers Congress. This should be read by every farmer in this section, for much valuable information contained therein. Anyone can secure a copy free by applying to the Commissioner of Agriculture at Austin.

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Captain Andrew Moses, commandant of Cadets at the A. & M. college was a visitor to the city Thursday and had business with the turkey man.

We will have an extra force of clerks on duty during the sale, come and feast on the bargains we are offering. Everything strictly cash, no tickets made.

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Dec. 26th '08

Be on Hand Early at the

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# STOCK TAKING SALE

Just before taking stock we are going to offer you the Greatest Bargains in Dry Goods that was ever offered in Bryan. We would rather do this than take these goods in stock. Below we will give you a few of the many bargains that we have to show you. Call your Special attention to Clothing, Ladies Jackets and Dress Goods.

***Don't Forget the Date Commencing Dec. 26th, 1908***

## Clothing Department

HERE IS WHERE WE WILL SAVE YOU SOME MONEY—DON'T FAIL TO LOOK AT THE PRICES BELOW.

One Lot Men's Black Suits \$5.00 value for . . . . .	<b>\$3.00</b>
One Lot Men's Suits \$6.50 value, blacks and fancy, will let go at . . . . .	<b>\$3.90</b>
One Line good business Suits, \$10.00 values, going to put them at . . . . .	<b>\$5.50</b>
Another line \$10.00 Suits, will close these at . . . . .	<b>\$6.00</b>
Big line \$12.50 Suits, going to close these at . . . . .	<b>\$7.50</b>
One line extra nice \$15.00 Suits Will close at . . . . .	<b>\$8.50</b>
Our \$18.00 and \$20.00 Suits, only few left, will close these at . . . . .	<b>\$10.00</b>

## Mens' Furnishings

25c and 35c Underwear, will close during this sale . . . . .	<b>20c</b>
Big line Ribbed and Fleeced Underwear, 50c and 65c kind, will close at . . . . .	<b>37 1/2c</b>
One Line Men's Sweaters at . . . . .	<b>25c</b>
Big line Men's Swackets, \$1.50 to \$2.50, drummers' samples, will close at . . . . .	<b>98c</b>
50c Sweaters at . . . . .	<b>38c</b>
Big line Men's Shirts, \$1.00 and \$1.25 kind, close at . . . . .	<b>85c</b>
50c and 75c Grade Shirts, good clean stock, at . . . . .	<b>42 1/2c</b>
Over Shirts—Will give some extra low prices in these \$1.00 and \$1.25 goods at . . . . .	<b>75c</b>
\$1.50 value at . . . . .	<b>\$1.00</b>

## Mens' Hat Dept.

WE HAVEN'T THE SPACE TO GIVE THE PRICES BUT YOU WILL THINK THAT WE ARE GIVING THEM AWAY. WE WOULD RATHER DO THIS THAN TAKE STOCK OF THEM.



## Overcoats

Good line \$5.00 Coats will close at . . . . .	<b>\$3.00</b>
\$6.50 Coats put in this sale at . . . . .	<b>\$4.00</b>
\$7.50 Coats put in this sale at . . . . .	<b>\$4.50</b>
\$8.50 Coats put in this sale at . . . . .	<b>\$5.50</b>
\$12.00 Coats put in this Sale at . . . . .	<b>\$7.50</b>
\$15.00 Coats put in this sale at . . . . .	<b>\$9.00</b>
\$20.00 Coats put in this sale at . . . . .	<b>\$10.50</b>

## Skirts

One line black heatherbloom Skirts \$1.50 value at . . . . .	<b>85c</b>
One Line black sateen Skirts, \$1.25 value at . . . . .	<b>85c</b>
One line \$2.00 black heatherbloom Skirts, \$2.00 value at . . . . .	<b>\$1.20</b>
\$2.50 Heatherbloom Skirts, Will close at . . . . .	<b>\$1.65</b>

## Staples

STAPLES ARE GOING HIGHER BUT WE HAVE THEM ON HAND AND RATHER THAN TAKE STOCK WILL CLOSE THEM OUT, LOOK OUT FOR PRICES.	
25 Yards brown Domestic, 5c kind at . . . . .	<b>\$1.00</b>
25 Yards Cotton Stripes, 6 1/4 c kind for . . . . .	<b>\$1.00</b>
25 Yards Outing for . . . . .	<b>\$1.00</b>
25 Yards Apron Gingham . . . . .	<b>\$1.00</b>
10c and 12 1/2c Outing, good values. Will let go at . . . . .	<b>7 1/2c</b>
Big line Kimono Outing 15c kind, this sale at . . . . .	<b>10c</b>
Big line flannelette Outing 10c and 12 1/2c kind, close at . . . . .	<b>8c</b>
Best grade Apron Gingham 8 1/2c kind, this sale . . . . .	<b>6 1/2c</b>

## Ladies' Jackets

Ladies' \$4.00 long Jackets in D. K. stripes at . . . . .	<b>\$2.10</b>
Have nice long Coat, \$4.50 value—dark colors at . . . . .	<b>\$2.90</b>
\$4.75 Jackets, Browns, good one for the money at . . . . .	<b>\$3.40</b>
\$6.50 Jackets light colors 54-inches long for . . . . .	<b>\$4.50</b>
Good line \$8.50 Jackets, 54-inches long will let go at . . . . .	<b>\$6.00</b>
\$12.50 Coats will put at . . . . .	<b>\$8.00</b>
\$16.00 and \$18.00 Coats will put these in at . . . . .	<b>\$10.50</b>

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**THE EDGE THAT CUTS PRICES**

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BRYAN, TEXAS, DEC. 25, 1908.

## THE MANGER HYMN.

Away in a manger, no crib for his bed,  
The little Lord Jesus lay down his  
sweet head.  
The stars in the sky looked down  
where he lay,  
The little Lord Jesus asleep in the hay.

The cattle are lowing, the poor baby  
wakes,  
But the little Lord Jesus, no crying  
he makes.

I love thee, Lord Jesus, look down  
from the sky,  
And stay by my crib watching my  
lullaby. —Martin Luther.

## CHRISTMAS HYMN.

(By Malcolm Carnes.)  
Christmas, what saintly joys are thine!  
What wond'rous glories rare—  
Thou anniversary of Christ,  
In whom all glories are.

The star o'er Bethlehem still shines,  
And its diverging rays  
Search out each corner of the earth,  
To guide men in his ways.

No more the faithful shepherds lone,  
And wise men, desert bound,  
Bow low and worship, while the skies  
With angel choirs resound.

They had but seen His star who sang;  
What richer blessings we—  
The cross, the tomb, the risen Lord,  
Through faith 'tis ours to see.

Christmas, I natal day of Christ!  
Let shouts of gladness ring;  
Let every knee before Him bow,  
And men and angels sing.  
[From The Eagle of Dec. 25, 1904.  
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## PISTOL TOTING.

The Bryan Eagle calls for the enforcement of the law against pistol toting and maintains that there is enough law on the subject if it is put to work. That is trouble. The people of Texas pay altogether too little attention to the strict enforcement of the law and outlines the man with the gun who has committed murder gets less punishment than the negro who is merely discovered with a gun in his pocket.

That a man should start out with the full intention of committing murder and get only a nominal punishment for manslaughter because he did not kill the man who was his intended victim, but took the life of another instead, is making a farce of the laws against gun toting and man killing.—Beaumont Enterprise.

President Hadley of Yale University in a recent contribution to the Youth's Companion said:

"Our statute books are full of instances of laws which are evaded or nullified because they have not the public sentiment of the people behind them. The news-

W. C. FOUNTAIN  
DENTIST.  
Office upstairs over Smith Drug Co.

J. W. BATTES  
REAL ESTATE AGENT  
Office in Taliaferro Building. Opposite Court House. Phone 37.  
Have in office the only set of Abstract Books of Brazos County Land Titles.

One, and one-half lots and six-room house, located two blocks from Main street; corner lot, brick cistern and stable. \$1,050.00.

Two lots and new five room cottage with bath, located in southeast part of town. Price \$2,000.00 with terms to suit purchaser.

Many a Woman  
Has experienced the loss or wear out of some of the working parts of the common or ordinary makes of machines, which could not be replaced. If you buy a Singer you get the best machine made and from a company that is in every town and city in the United States.

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papers are the chief agents in forming public opinion. This used to be done by courts of law and by political assemblies, but the modern newspaper has supplanted both as a forum of public discussion and as a means of public education."

If the newspapers of Texas will make a united, earnest and persistent effort to show the people the enormity of the evil, pistol toting can be made odious and the pistol toter can be punished.

The secretary of the Panama canal commission has announced officially that the great ditch will be finished in six years and will be open Jan. 1, 1915. Let's get ready to celebrate.

Over at Georgetown the other day a farmer drove into town with a pair of three-year-old mules, 16 1-2 hands high and weighing 2,700 pounds. A buyer offered him \$800 spot cash for them but he refused. Plant mules.

The great founder of Christianity, who was also the greatest teacher the world has ever known, expressly forbade the use of force in propagating his teaching. Enforced education and puritanical Sunday laws are not in harmony with the spirit of Christ.

O that everybody could realize how powerless the government is to make anybody rich and happy! As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be, world without end, amen, everyone is the architect of his own fortune. Every mother's son must work out his own salvation.

The signs of the times indicate that development will make more progress in the next ten years than in all the past history of this imperial state. It is up to Bryan to decide whether to occupy an honorable place near the head of the procession or to be a straggler. Which shall it be?

Hall Caine in "The Deemster," quotes a Manx aphorism: "A man's shirt is close but his skin is closer." Applied to politics, the local government is the skin, the state is the shirt and the nation is the coat. In view of the approaching municipal election, let's see to it that Bryan has a clean skin.

A South Dakota girl had two suitors. Taking advantage of his rival's absence, Tom won her consent and led her to the altar but before the ceremony was performed Bob interrupted the proceedings and pressed his suit so earnestly that she withdrew her hand from Tom's clasp and married Bob on the spot. Our felicitations are tendered to Tom for his lucky escape, but Bob has our heartfelt sympathy.

The difference between Taft and Bryan is indicated by their respective tastes in sports. Taft glories in golf, an importation from Europe, where it is especially affected by the royalty and nobility. Bryan prefers baseball, which in origin, history and character is the most thoroughly American of all popular games. In the late election Bryan received a majority of the votes of native Americans. It was the foreign vote that elected Taft.

Fresh tomatoes in midwinter command fancy prices and a man out Del Rio way is making at the rate of \$3,000 per acre on a small patch. He has a little piece of ground enclosed with burlap and covered it with cheese cloth, which protects it from frost and from the too ardent rays of the sun. Hehe he raises the love-apples that are piling up for him a big bank account. Except in the amount of humidity the climate of Del Rio is like that of Bryan and the slight difference, for winter gardening purposes, is more favorable to Bryan. The trick could be done here just as easily if anybody had the nerve to try it.

To The Merchants' Association.  
Washington, D. C., Dec. 24.—After more than 31 years' service, Major Francis G. Irwin, Second Cavalry, one of the best known officers in the army, will be retired from active service to morrow upon his own application. Major Irwin is from Kentucky and was graduated at the United States Military Academy in 1882. He reached the grade of major several weeks ago and has been stationed recently at Fort Des Moines.

Abe Attel and "Biz" Mackey  
New Orleans, La., Dec. 24.—Abe Attel, the former champion feather-weight fighter and "Biz" Mackey, of Cincinnati, have been engaged to furnish the main bout at the boxing show to be pulled off at the Southern Athletic club tomorrow night. The article call for a ten-round contest, the men to weight at 122 pounds at the ring-side.

Mr. Devalson Buchanan of Harvey was a business visitor to the city Thursday.

## Progress of the Rural Schools of Brazos County.

Since the opening of the schools in October, I have visited every white school in Brazos county and most of the colored schools. During my first visits I found some of the schools poorly attended, but for the past two months the attendance has been good, and in most cases I have found the teachers and pupils working with zeal and eagerness. In my visits to the schools, besides advising with the teachers and offering suggestions, I have endeavored to impress upon the pupils the importance of regular attendance and intensity of study. It is so easy for children to waste much valuable time in school and get only a faint idea of what they pass over in their books by forming careless habits of study. I have also used every opportunity of encouraging the people in the improvement of their school houses and equipments. I am very much gratified by the interest manifested by the trustees, patrons and teachers along this line.

Blanton and Cottonwood districts unite in giving school entertainments and raised funds with which they have bought school supplies and made some needed improvements on their school buildings.

The people of Edge, in addition to rebuilding their schoolhouse by means of a local tax, have raised funds through school entertainments and contributions with which they have seated their schoolhouse with new patent desks.

The Wellborn people, also, have taken advantage of local taxation and made their school house comfortable for the winter. I predict that before another year passes a new school building will adorn the town of Wellborn. The ladies of that community deserve much credit for their enterprise and energy in raising funds with which they will soon place an order for patent desks for their school.

The Reliance community, under the leadership of their teachers, Miss Eva McDonald and Miss Lightsey, have started a move for the improvement of their school house. Let the good work continue there until you have accomplished your desire.

The trustees, teachers and patrons of Bethel school have not slackened in their efforts to make theirs the best school in Brazos county.

In addition to substantial improvements on their school building, the adding of a third teacher this year, besides a music teacher, they have, under the direction of Prof. Borden, raised quite a nice library fund. What possibilities of intellectual growth, literary culture, and social enjoyment there would be if all the schools had good libraries. Who can tell what influence the reading of a good book may have upon the character and life of a boy or girl.

The people of Rye are to be congratulated for the splendid school house erected there during the summer. Other communities have made some needed improvements and repairs to their school houses and premises.

Let us continue to work to make our school buildings more comfortable and attractive and the teaching more efficient, that the country boys and girls may be given a square deal.

F. W. PARKER,  
County Superintendent.

## Arkansas Teachers to Meet.

Little Rock, Ark., Dec. 24.—The best programme ever prepared for a meeting of the Arkansas State Teachers' Association is that arranged for the annual convention to be held in this city next week. President J. B. Aswell of the Louisiana State Normal school, Chancellor Kirkland of Vanderbilt University, Dr. Russel of the University of Wisconsin and several other educators of national prominence will be among the speakers. The local committee of arrangements is in receipt of advices indicating that the convention will be well attended from every county of the State. The sessions will begin Monday and continue four days.

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## NOTICE TAXPAYERS.

January is the last month in which taxes may be paid without penalty. For that reason, principally, and also to facilitate the work of this office, I would request that you pay your taxes as early as possible. Respectfully,  
JNO. B. HINES,  
City Secretary.

Cakes and Candy.  
I have a nice line of fresh home-made Fruit cakes and nice fancy cakes and candy.

Mrs. Otto Boehme.

# 1909

## May your ambitions be fulfilled.

Wishing you health to enjoy

every minute of the

## New Year

## Holidays 1908

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V. B. Hudson W. W. Wilson  
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FOR SALE  
Bryan, Texas. Franklin, Tex.

140 acres of land in the Moses Hughes survey, near Edge. Price and terms reasonable.

Half acre of land with improvements, one block east of my home.

80 acres adjoining J. & M. Colledge land on west side, near Providence church. Known as the George Platzer place.

190 acres, including Double Sulphur springs, on Navasota river.

V. B. HUDSON.  
Your merchant handles fresh home-ground meal, ask for it.

We can sell them if priced right.  
Send description to  
WILSON & ERSKINE  
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DENTIST  
OVER HASWELL'S BOOK STORE

## To the Public

I HAVE THIS DAY OPENED A RESTAURANT AND SHORT ORDER HOUSE IN THE BUILDING FORMERLY OCCUPIED BY TOM LEE AND WILL BE GLAD TO SERVE YOU. I WILL MAKE A SPECIALTY OF

## Raw Fish and Oysters

for family use. Give me your orders.

EVERYTHING CLEAN AND UP-TO-DATE.

Special Rates to Weekly Boarders.

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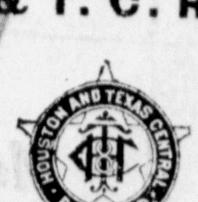
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in our Christmas boxes, make  
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ESPECIALLY

to those to whom you can  
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THE  
SMITH DRUG CO.

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## Holiday Rates

All Points in Texas.

ONE AND ONE-THIRD FAR

On sale December 18, 19, 21, 22,  
23, 24, 25, 26, 31 and Jan. 1.

Limit for Return—January 5.

See Local Ticket Agent for Particulars

# ED HALL

Pure Food Distributor

We take the opportunity of again wishing our friends and patrons all the compliments of the season.

Your order for Groceries during the holiday season will be carefully taken care of.

*A Merry Christmas*

**ED. HALL** PHONE

22 & 114

SELLER OF "SPOTLESS FLOUR."

#### RAILROAD TIME CARD.

H. & T. C. Schedule.

No. 3 North bound.....1:38 p.m.  
No. 5 North bound.....12:46 a.m.  
No. 2 South bound.....3:40 p.m.  
No. 6 South bound.....2:48 a.m.

I. & G. N. Schedule.

No. 14 North bound.....12:58 p.m.  
No. 15 South bound.....4:11 p.m.

#### LOCALS AND PERSONALS.

Mr. Roy Hudspeth is home for the holidays.

Mr. Louis Bond of Kurten was in the city Thursday.

Mr. Will Rudasill of Tabor was in the city Thursday.

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Mr. Coulter Smith transacted business here Thursday.

Miss Bertie Graham of Prospect was in the city Thursday.

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Miss Willie Boyett was a visitor from Tabor Thursday.

Mr. J. T. Cloud of Kurten transacted business here Thursday.

Mr. H. P. Dandby was a visitor from Steep Hollow Thursday.

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FOR SALE—A few choice Berk-

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GRAND OPERA HOUSE

**Adelaide Thurston**

The Woman  
of the Hour

Thursday Night **DEC. 31**

SEATS ON SALE AT CAVITT'S

Miss Virgie Edinberg arrived from Huntsville, where she is studying at Sam Houston, for a Christmas visit to her parents and other relatives in this city.

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#### THE COTTON MARKET.

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The American markets responded to Liverpool's advance, opening 3 to 4 points higher than Wednesday's close, which price was maintained throughout the extremely narrow and quiet session.

Advices from the other side are to the effect that trade conditions in Europe are not satisfactory, and Manchester spinners have under consideration the advisability of working short time during January and February.

In the words of a local buyer, it is believed the spinners are "four flushing." The Europeans are loaded up on stock, however.

The local quotations are unchanged from those of Tuesday.

#### THE WINNERS.

After a very spirited contest Miss Maude Read wins the \$15 doll and Master Clyde Gregg the \$5.00 worth of fireworks offered by Walker's 5 and 10 cent store for the most popular girl and boy in Bryan.

Mr. Walker, manager of this Toy and Christmas Goods Paradise, appointed Messrs. J. V. Brogdon, Jesse Henry and John R. Cole to count the votes and make the return, which was as follows.

Miss Maude Read....2275 votes  
Master Clyde Gregg....1160 votes  
Christmas 1908 will long be remembered by the happy winners and they will always have a warm spot in their hearts for Mr. Walker.

#### CHRISTMAS DAY.

St. Andrew's Episcopal Church Feast of the Nativity Services.

The usual festive services will be held in this church on Christmas morning, 11 a. m. Morning Prayer, Holy Communion and Sermon.

Subject: Who were the Shepherds to Whom the Angel and Heavenly Host appeared on the first Christmas morning?

The frame cottage belonging to Mr. John Ettle, situated on Caldwell street, which was damaged by fire some months ago, is undergoing extensive repairs at the hands of carpenters and builders.

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JOHN A. MOORE, JR.  
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## OYSTERS

And Short Orders

Elegant line of Xmas Candies in Fancy Boxes.  
Also other Xmas Fancy Goods.

## HOLMES CONFECTIONERY

### STEVENSON MACHINE and REPAIR WORKS Manufacturing and Repairing

BATTERIES FOR ALL PURPOSES.  
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## WHOSE IS IT?

The Complete Drugstore.  
The Satisfactory Drugstore  
The Convenient Drugstore  
The Accommodating Drugstore  
The Appreciative Drugstore

## M. H. JAMES

PHONE US FOR YOUR

## Xmas Groceries

EVERYTHING FRESH.

SANDERS BROS.

## Xmas Suggestions

Xmas Boxes, Paper and Tags, Fountain Pens, Gold Mounted Meerschaum and Briar Pipes, Havana Cigars, Fancy Package Perfumery, Fisher Books and Calenders, Water Color and Novelty Pictures, Club Offers in Magazines, Post Cards and Albums, Huyler's Candies, and Kodaks, Pearl Handle Knives, Safety Razors, Xmas Stationery of All Kinds.

## Cavitt's Drug Store

## The Franklin Life Insurance Co.

DIVIDENDS DECLARED  
AT END OF FIRST  
POLICY YEAR  
AND ANNUALLY THEREAFTER

SEE MY CONTRACTS  
BEFORE YOU INSURE

S. M. Derden, Gen. Agt.

## Cozy Theatre

Beginning Monday Dec. 28, 1908, 2000 feet of Feature Moving Pictures, also new illustrated songs every night.

Also featuring the Man of Mystery, Mr. Chas. Foster the World's Renowned Magician In Magic and the World's Greatest Hindoo Box Mystery.

## LITTLE ROCK FATALITIES.

### Two Men Meet Death by Others, Third Suicides.

Little Rock, Dec. 24.—Two people, one a negro, were shot and killed, and another committed suicide at Little Rock.

Ambrose Alexander, a white boy, was shot through the breast while hunting. It is believed the shooting was accidental, although no one saw it.

Albert Hines of Oklahoma City, committed suicide in a saloon by taking strychnine. No cause for the act is known.

Fred Lamoin, a negro, shot by Louis Gershner, following a quarrel died.

### LOOKS FOR REVERSAL.

### Haywood Says Decision Will Amalgamate Organized Labor.

Denver, Dec. 24.—In discussing the decision of the supreme court of the District of Columbia, whereby Gompers, Mitchell and Morrison were sentenced to imprisonment for alleged violation of the courts' injunction, W. D. Haywood, former secretary-treasurer of the Federation of Western Miners but now lecturing for the cause of Socialism, expressed the opinion that "it will be one of the strongest factors in amalgamating the forces of organized labor."

He said he believed the decision surely will be reversed by the court of appeals.

### Much Money to Be Invested.

Houston, Dec. 24.—Five million dollars will be invested in the new manufacturing town of Penn City, which is to be established near Houston on Buffalo bayou soon. The company has just secured an Arizona charter, capitalized at \$2,000,000. J. S. Brown of Pittsburgh heads the project. It will turn out steel rails, machinery and tools, and save Texans thousands yearly on freight.

### Spencer General Agent.

Amarillo, Tex., Dec. 24.—A. B. Spencer of Amarillo has been appointed to fill the new office of general agent of the Frisco and Rock Island railways for the Panhandle country. This will include part of New Mexico and Oklahoma. Increased business caused this action.

### Hangs Herself.

Paragould, Ark., Dec. 24.—Miss Mollie McConnell, aged forty years, a wealthy woman of this place, committed suicide by hanging herself from a rafter in her woodshed. She fixed the loop in the rope from the top of a step ladder and then kicked the temporary scaffolding away. Ill health and worry over her brother's marital troubles is thought to have caused the suicide.

### Makes Assignment.

Paragould, Ark., Dec. 24.—The large mercantile firm of George W. Cox & Co., made an assignment for the benefit of its creditors, with liabilities amounting to \$40,000 and assets of \$30,000. The firm has had a large business, but bad collections caused the failure. R. P. Taylor is made trustee.

### Decision Monday.

Nashville, Dec. 24.—In the criminal court Judge Hart said he would give the decision Monday morning in the hearing of application for bail for Colonel Cooper, Robin Cooper and former Sheriff Sharp, charged with the murder of Senator Carmack. The defense introduced no witnesses and submitted the case without argument.

### To Be Tried in February.

Ardmore, Okla., Dec. 24.—The Foo-see boys, charged with killing Luther Ford, a boy of twelve, with bullets aimed at William Ballou on the evening of Dec. 1, and William Ballou charged with killing Irb Fooshee in May, 1907, will be tried here the second week in February before a special judge.

### Ryan Resigns From Many.

New York, Dec. 24.—Thomas F. Ryan, admittedly one of the greatest powers in the financial world, announced that yielding to the advice of his physicians he had resigned from the directorate of thirty-one corporations.

### Castro Virtually Abdicates.

Berlin, Dec. 25.—Cipriano Castro has given a statement to the Associated Press which amounts virtually to an abandonment of his present claims to the presidency of the Venezuelan republic.

### Dolphin Enters Harbor.

Willemstad, Dec. 24.—The United States gunboat Dolphin has entered the harbor.

### Punishment Left to Court.

Ardmore, Okla., Dec. 24.—Following a bitter arraignment by County Attorney Mathers the jury in the Mulkey case retired. Within two hours they returned a verdict of manslaughter in the first degree and left the punishment in the hands of the court. Mulkey was charged with the killing of Dennis Lawson on the night of Dec. 3 at the home of the former in this county.

### Execution Date Set.

Dallas, Dec. 24.—Judge Nelms passed the death sentence upon Bob Smith, a negro, convicted of killing another negro two years ago. The date of execution is Feb. 12. Smith's only hope is in executive clemency or writ of error to the federal supreme court.

### An Added Attraction.

"Ah, Else, it is fine to be married to an officer—such a beautiful uniform and so many decorations!"

"Yes, and, besides that, he'll have a band at his funeral."—Wahre Jacob.

## HIS ALIBI.

### It Cleared the Accused, but Furnished an Odd Sequel.

A highly respectable gentleman arrived at York one evening with luggage and dined well, went to bed early, rose in good time and had a substantial breakfast. After this meal he casually asked the landlord if there was anything of special interest in York. "The assizes are on, but I do not know if there is anything particularly interesting in the list," was the response.

"Thanks," drawled the stranger. "I'll look in if I happen to pass the court and see."

He did look and heard a follower of Dick Turpin in the dock, charged with highway robbery, pleading his innocence vehemently to a stolid judge and jury, who, with firm faces, did not look as if they placed much credence in the prisoner's profession of innocence. Suddenly the prisoner caught sight of the stranger, who had strolled in from the hotel out of curiosity.

"Here, thank God, is some one who can prove my innocence!" cried the prisoner, pointing to the stranger, who was aghast at becoming the center of interest so unexpectedly.

He seemed astonished and shook his head.

"Oh, yes," cried the accused; "just think! You were at Dover—a long way from here. You came out of the Ship hotel, and I took your luggage at a wheelbarrow to the Calais packet at the pier. That was the day I am supposed to have committed the crime up here."

The stranger seemed bewildered. The judge, struck with the tragic earnestness of the prisoner, questioned the stranger, but the latter could not assist him much.

"Have you any notebooks?" asked the judge—"any memorandum of your movements on that day?"

"I am a merchant," replied the stranger, "connected with an old established firm of bankers in London. I travel a lot and of course enter everything in my books. Here are my keys if the court cares to send to my hotel and bring here the books out of my case. I can easily settle the point."

The books were fetched. The gentleman had been in Dover that day and had left by the Calais packet. This was sufficient for the judge and jury. The prisoner was acquitted.

Comic sequel: Both the "banker from London" and the highwayman were placed in the same dock shortly afterward charged with daring burglaries in the neighborhood.—Harry Furniss in London Standard.

### The Usher Woke Up.

At a certain county court the judge is in his private capacity a kind hearted man. The usher of the court is aged—very aged—but as he had been a faithful servant for many years he was retained in that capacity. One morning he fell asleep in court and began to snore. The noise he made naturally disturbed court proceedings, but the judge displayed great tact in dealing with the matter.

"Usher Jones," he called out loudly, "some one is snoring."

The usher woke up. He jumped to his feet and glared furiously round.

"Silence!" he roared. "There must be no snoring in court!"—Exchange.

### Without Imagination.

There is a certain New York business man of a rather waggish disposition who contends that his wife has no imagination.

At dinner one night he chanced to mention a tragic circumstance he had read in the evening paper on his way home. A passenger on a transatlantic steamer had fallen overboard in mid-ocean and had never been seen again. "Was he drowned?" asked the wife. "Of course not," answered the irrepressible hubby, "but he sprained his ankle, I believe."—Lippincott's.

### Heartless Gamblers.

The rage for gambling at White's and Almack's clubs in London in other days led to most outrageous betting, as to which Walpole tells what he calls a good tale: A man dropped down in a fit before the door and was carried inside. The club instantly made bets as to whether he would die or not, and when a doctor was called in to attend him his misfortunes were interfered with by the members because, they said, these would affect the fairness of the lots.

### Pitiful Sales.

Kits of sailors lost at sea are sold regularly at auction at the Albert docks in London. The sale provides many a pitiful sight. Most of the lots are contained in the regular sailor's sea chest, all marked with the name of the ship from which they come. It is not unusual for those who have lost friends or relatives at sea to attend these auctions, and there are times when the first news of such a loss comes through the recognition of familiar objects.

### A Fair Offer.

Small boy (who has been watching amateur gunner's failures for an hour or more)—Say, mister.

Sportsman—Well, what is it, boy?

"Gimme a nickel an' a start as far as the fence an' you kin have one at me."—Life.

### Reformed.

"I hear your son is something of an aviator, Mrs. Comeup."

"Well, to tell the truth, he was a bit that way, but he's taken the pledge."—Baltimore American.

Flowers are the sweetest things that God ever made and forgot to put a soul into.—Beecher.

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